

Report to the Auburn City Council

Information Item

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To:

Mayor and City Council Members

From:

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Subject:

Informational Item- Auburn Fire 2012 Incident Response

Report

The Issue

This is a Staff report on 2012 Fire Department response and emergency incidents. No action is requested or required. This is informational only.

Conclusion and Recommendation

Staff will present an overview of 2012 Fire Department response and functions.

Background

Highlights

- Fire Department calls for service during 2012 Total 1824, 128 more calls than the previous year.
- EMS related calls still represent approximately 66% of total calls
- Increase in call volume was across all incident types; Fire had the largest increase from the previous year.
- Fire Department calls for service over a sixteen (16) year period represent a steady 35% increase.
- Automatic and mutual aid occurrences with neighboring agencies continue as a part of the integrated response system to maintain service levels due to significant growth in call volumes and multi incidents occurring simultaneously.
- The busiest time period for response is from 0800 hours to 2000 hours, representing 64% of the call volume.

- Overall State Mutual Aid responses by the fire department were active last year due to the many large incident fires in the northern part of the state.
- Volunteer firefighting personnel are in various levels of training from initial safety training to apparatus operation.
- The department continues to participate in the "joint" Volunteer Firefighter Safety Academy involving multiple fire agencies that utilize volunteer personnel.
- Grant funding continues to become very competitive in all areas; equipment, staffing, and fuel reduction programs. Some programs at the state level have been drastically reduced and or offer limited funding. FEMA/DHS Assistance For Firefighter's (AFG) grant program may see reductions in funding in the coming years.

Fire Department Areas of Focus

The Fire Department will continue to focus on key areas that support service delivery to the community promoting safety, efficiency, and professionalism. These areas are:

- Apparatus Replacement Program
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- California Incident Command Certification System (CICCS) (Training Standards)

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